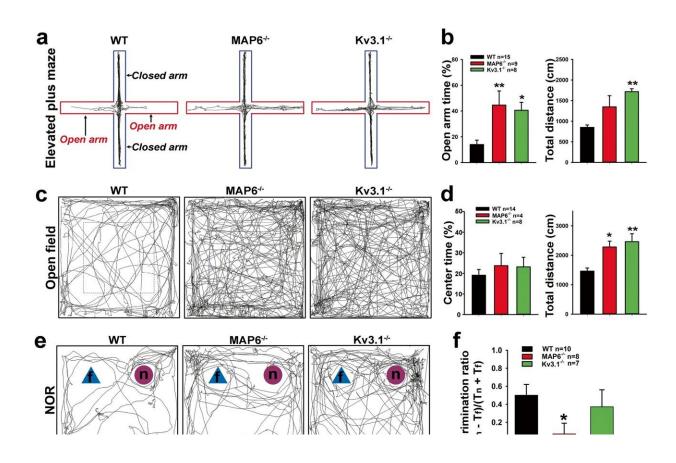


## Unexpected link found between 2 schizophrenia risk proteins

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Behavioral alterations in MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> and Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Adult (3–6 months old) WT B6 (black bars), MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> (red bars), and Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> (green bars) mice were used in a series of behavioral assays. Each group contained approximately half male and half female mice. **a** Example traces in the elevated plus maze (EPM) with open arms indicated in red and closed arms in dark blue. **b** Summaries of open arm time ( $100 \times T_{Open}/(T_{Open} + T_{Closed})$ ; WT control, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.001, Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.029) (left) and total travel distance (cm; WT control, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.088, Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.003)(right) in EPM. **c** Example traces in the open field test



with blue dashed lines to indicate the center. **d** Summaries of the center time percentage  $(100 \times T_{Center}/T_{Total}; Overall <math>p = 0.595)(left)$  and the total travel distance (cm; WT control, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.045, Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.002)(right) in the open field test. **e** Example traces in the novel object recognition (NOR) test with the blue triangles as the familiar objects (**f**) and the red circles as the novel objects (n). **f** Summary of the discrimination ratio,  $(T_n - T_f)/(T_n + T_f)$ . WT control, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.044, Kv3.1<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.096. **g** Summary of the rotarod test. In trial #3, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.041. In trial #4, MAP6<sup>-/-</sup> p = 0.001. **h** Summary of the balance beam test. **i** Summary of spontaneous alternation in the Y maze test (overall p = 0.801). Each result is provided as mean  $\pm$  SEM. Mouse numbers are provided in the figure. One-Way ANOVA followed by Dunnett's test: \*, p

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